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**Request
For
Continued Examination (RCE)
Transmittal**

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| Application Number | 10/801,088 |
| Filing Date | March 15, 2004 |
| First Named Inventor | Hiroyuki SHIMADA |
| Art Unit | 2814 |
| Examiner Name | Hoai V. Pham |
| Attorney Docket Number | 9319S-000655 |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. 1.114

Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

a. Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
ii. Other _____

b. Enclosed

i. Amendment/Reply
ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
iv. Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) required)

b. Other Enclosures: Fee Transmittal; Form 1449 with 5 attached references; and Acknowledgement Postcard

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-3213 (Epson R & D)

i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e)
ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. 1.136 and 1.17)
iii. Other Any deficiency for a fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 or 1.17

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| Name (Print /Type) | G. Gregory Schivley Bryant E. Wade | Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) | 27382 40344 |
| Signature | <i>G. Gregory Schivley</i> | Date | September 13, 2005 |

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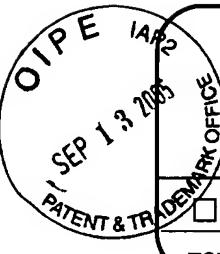
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FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2005

Effective 10/01/2004. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$ 790

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

| Large Entity | Small Entity | Fee Description | Fee Paid |
|---------------|---------------|------------------------|----------|
| Fee Code (\$) | Fee Code (\$) | | |
| 1011 300 | 2011 150 | Utility filing fee | |
| 1012 200 | 2012 100 | Design filing fee | |
| 1013 200 | 2013 100 | Plant filing fee | |
| 1014 300 | 2014 150 | Reissue filing fee | |
| 1005 200 | 2005 100 | Provisional filing fee | |
| SUBTOTAL (1) | | (\$ 0 | |

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

| Total Claims | -20 ** | = | 0 | X | 0 | = | 0 | Fee Paid |
|--------------------|--------|---|---|---|---|---|---|----------|
| Independent Claims | -3 ** | = | 0 | X | 0 | = | 0 | |
| Multiple Dependent | | | | | | | | |

| Large Entity | Small Entity | Fee Description |
|---------------|---------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| Fee Code (\$) | Fee Code (\$) | |
| 1202 50 | 2202 25 | Claims in excess of 20 |
| 1201 200 | 2201 100 | Independent claims in excess of 3 |
| 1203 360 | 2203 180 | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid |
| 1204 200 | 2204 100 | ** Reissue independent claims over original patent |
| 1205 50 | 2205 25 | ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |
| SUBTOTAL (2) | | (\$ 0 |

*or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Small Entity

| Fee Code (\$) | Fee Code (\$) | Fee Description | Fee Paid |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| 1051 130 | 2051 65 | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath | |
| 1052 50 | 2052 25 | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet | |
| 1053 130 | 1053 130 | Non-English specification | |
| 1812 2,520 | 1812 2,520 | For filing a request for reexamination | |
| 1804 920* | 1804 920* | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action | |
| 1805 1,840* | 1805 1,840* | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action | |
| 1251 120 | 2251 60 | Extension for reply within first month | |
| 1252 450 | 2252 225 | Extension for reply within second month | |
| 1253 1020 | 2253 510 | Extension for reply within third month | |
| 1254 1,590 | 2254 795 | Extension for reply within fourth month | |
| 1255 2,160 | 2255 1080 | Extension for reply within fifth month | |
| 1401 500 | 2401 250 | Notice of Appeal | |
| 1402 500 | 2402 250 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal | |
| 1403 1000 | 2403 500 | Request for oral hearing | |
| 1452 500 | 2452 250 | Petition to revive - unavoidable | |
| 1453 1500 | 2453 750 | Petition to revive - unintentional | |
| 1501 1400 | 2501 700 | Utility issue fee (or reissue) | |
| 1502 800 | 2502 400 | Design issue fee | |
| 1460 130 | 1460 130 | Petitions to the Commissioner | |
| 1807 50 | 1807 50 | Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17 (q) | |
| 1806 180 | 1806 180 | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt | |
| 8021 40 | 8021 40 | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) | |
| 1809 790 | 2809 395 | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a)) | |
| 1810 790 | 2810 395 | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b)) | |
| 1801 790 | 2801 395 | Request for Continued Examination (RCE) | 790.00 |
| Other fee (specify) _____ | | | |
| *Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid | | SUBTOTAL (3) | (\$790 |

4. SEARCH/EXAMINATION FEES

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| 1111 500 | 2111 250 | Utility Search Fee | |
| 1112 100 | 2112 50 | Design Search Fee | |
| 1113 300 | 2113 150 | Plant Search Fee | |
| 1114 500 | 2114 250 | Reissue Search Fee | |
| 1311 200 | 2311 100 | Utility Examination Fee | |
| 1312 130 | 2312 65 | Design Examination Fee | |
| 1313 160 | 2313 80 | Plant Examination Fee | |
| 1314 600 | 2314 300 | Reissue Examination Fee | |
| SUBTOTAL (4) | | (\$0 | |

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| Signature | | | | Date | September 13, 2005 |

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